

**MINUTES OF HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL, JUNE 1, 2005
GENERALIZED SUMMARY**

Councilor Hiatt called to order the regular meeting of the Hamilton County Council at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Rick McKinney, Judy Levine, John Hiatt, Steve Schwartz, Brad Beaver, Auditor Robin Mills, Attorney, John Culp, and Chief Deputy Auditor, Dawn Coverdale. Councilor Carter was not in attendance.

Councilor Levine gave the invocation and led pledge of allegiance.

[7:00:58] Councilor Belden moved to approve minutes of May 4, 2005. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

PUBLIC COMMENTS [7:01:08]

Greg Puls, Fishers
Resident
Opposes Food &
Beverage Tax
Jon Ogle, Noblesville
Resident
Opposes Food &
Beverage Tax

Bill Smythe,
Mr. Carl Egg

Mike Kole, Fishers
Resident
Opposes Food &
Beverage Tax

Larry Cron
Mike Kolby

COMMITTEE / OFFICER REPORT [7:17:13]

President

Councilor Hiatt announced he and Steve Schwartz are still working on EMS program and will have a report at a later date.

Vice President: None

Highway: None

Finance: No Meeting

Personnel: No Meeting

Miscellaneous

Councilor Levine reminded Council of the upcoming state called meeting of County Councilors Saturday, June 4, 2005 at the Omni at Shadeland and 82nd Street.

Councilor Beaver announced that he and John Hiatt met with the head of the State Department Office and Budget Management, Director of Department of Revenue to discuss COIT issues.

COMMISSIONER UPDATE [7:19:30] Commissioner Altman

Requested approval of Weights & Measures transfer to part time.
Will follow up on parking issues

County is in the process of having property on corner appraised.
[McMillian Shell]

Court has issued discovery order for the COIT issue. Hope to have preliminary assessment by June 20, 2005.

The Commissioners have sent letters to local entities regarding cumulative bridge funds and how those monies will be used to replace

bridge structures according to the federal bridge classification, which is how Hamilton County has operated for the past 20 years, if they'll agree.

UNFINISHED/TABLED BUSINESS

Councilor Levine moved to untable Commissioners \$15,000 additional request for US 31 Corridor in 101.011.000.3746. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Councilor Schwartz moved to approve Commissioners \$15,000 additional for US 31 Corridor in 101.011.000.3746. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (4-2) with Councilors Beaver and Belden against.

NEW BUSINESS

Additional, Transfers and Amend Form 144

[7:32:48] Councilor Beaver moved to approve Ordinance 05-04-05-A "An Ordinance To Impose An Annual License Excise Surtax And An Annual Wheel Tax". Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion failed (1-5). BB-N; JB-N; SS-N; JH-N; JL-N; RM-Y.

[7:36:46] Councilor Belden moved to approve Auditor \$3,640 additional appropriation in 101.003.000.1300 Part time. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:38:08] Councilor Beaver moved to approve Clerk \$14,000 additional appropriation request in 101.009.000.1300 Part Time. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:38:31] Councilor Belden moved to approve Emergency Management \$411 additional appropriation in line item 101.024.000.1003 Office Coordinator. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (5-1) with Councilor Beaver against.

[7:38:53] Councilor Levine moved to approve Jail 144 Amendment for line item 101.024.000.1094 Corrections Officer at \$40,000. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:39:21] Councilor Beaver moved to approve Microfilm \$7,000 additional appropriation request in 101.029.000.1300 Part Time. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:39:32] Councilor Belden moved to approve Safety-Risk transfer of \$960 from 101.036.000.2010 Gas, Oil and Lube to 101.036.000.3102 Motor Vehicle Repairs. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:40:00] Councilor Beaver moved to approve Surveyor \$10,000 additional appropriation request in 101.044.000.1407 Overtime. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion failed (0-6)

[7:41:36] Councilor Beaver moved to approve Weights & Measures \$3,000 transfer from 101.053.000.1002 Inspector to 101.053.000.1300 Part Time. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:41:52] Councilor Beaver moved to approve Health Maintenance \$1,554 additional appropriation in 115.000.000.2010 Gas, Oil. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:42:42] Councilor Beaver moved to approve E911 Fund \$203,484 additional appropriation request in 119.000.000.3301 Telephone at \$170,234; 119.000.000.4003 Office Equipment at \$8,250; and 119.000.000.3519 Tower Upgrade at \$25,000. Councilor Levine seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[7:45:49] Councilor Schwartz resolved to approve E911 \$19,710 additional appropriation request in 119.000.000.4009 Emergency Communication Equipment at the July meeting. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0)

[7:46:21] Councilor Beaver resolved to approve E911 \$300,000 additional appropriation request in 119.000.000.4004 Computer Hardware at the July meeting. Councilor McKinney seconded motion. Motion carried (4-2). RM-Y; JL-Y; JH-N; SS-N; JB-Y; BB-Y

[7:55:44] Councilor Beaver moved to approve Clerk Perpetuation \$21,000 additional appropriation request in 363.000.000.3851 Supplement to County General Fund. Councilor Belden seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

ANNOUNCEMENTS / COMMENTS: None

SHERIFF COMMENTS: None

ATTORNEY COMMENTS [7:56:26]

Counselor Culp introduced Mr. Patrick Tamm of Ice Miller who addressed County Council regarding HB 1120 and the Food and Beverage Tax.

Councilor Hiatt announced a Town Hall Meeting with Governor Daniels will be held on June 7, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Government and Judicial Center.

Auditor Mills suggested the Council assign a liaison to meet with the County Treasurer on the Food and Beverage Tax since, according to the ordinance, the Treasurer will be responsible for collecting tax.

The Council will hold a special meeting Monday, June 27, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. for consideration of the Food and Beverage Tax.

[8:37:00] Scott Faultless, President, Fishers Town Council spoke regarding fact that Hamilton County decided to dissolve Cumulative Bridge Fund and didn't notify local cities and towns who now must fund these repairs. Mr. Faultless asked that food and beverage tax monies collected from municipalities be returned to the municipalities to use toward bridge repairs.

Mr. Culp introduced, for the record, Ordinance 06-01-05-A and 06-01-05-B "Ordinance Imposing The Hamilton County Food and Beverage Tax".

[8:39:35] Councilor Levine moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 06-01-05-A and 06-01-05-B. Councilor Beaver seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

AUDITOR'S COMMENTS: [8:41:54]

Auditor Mills presented to the Council claims for approval. Councilor Schwartz moved to approve claims. Councilor Mckinney seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

[8:43:12] Councilor Belden moved to adjourn meeting. Councilor Schwartz seconded motion. Motion carried (6-0).

Those present:

Gary Puls, Concerned Citizen
Bill Smythe, Food &
Beverage Tax
Carl Eggers, Food & Beverage Tax
Jon M. Ogle, Public
Comment
Bob Hansen, Noblesville Times
Michael Colby, Fishers
Resident
Linda L. Ogle, Noblesville Resident
Brad Davis, HCHD
Patrick Tamm, Observe
Barry McNulty, Health
Department

Bill Ruthhart, Indy Star
Larry Cronkleton, Food &
Beverage Tax
Kent Ward, Surveyor
Scott Faultless, Fishers
Town Council

Colleen Starrett, Jackson Twp Assessor

President

Auditor